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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

Attorney Docket No. 4002-2954/PC393.06

First Inventor Thomas A. Zdeblick

Title ARTIFICIAL DISC IMPLANT

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Washington, DC 20231

1. *Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant claims small entity status.
3. Specification [Total Pages 49]

(preferred arrangement set forth below)

- Descriptive title of the Invention
- Cross References to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix or computer program listing appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)

8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

- a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - paper
- c. Statements verifying identity of above copies

4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 19]
 Informal Formal

Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 68]

- a. Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
- i. **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §§
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))

10. 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)

 Power of Attorney

11. English Translation Document (if applicable)

12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449

 Copies of IDS Citations

13. Preliminary Amendment

14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)

15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)

16. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.

17. Other: _____

8. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

 Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No: 09/586,308

Prior application information: Examiner: T. Barrett Group / Art Unit: 3738

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	740	201	370	Utility Filing Fee	740
106	330	206	165	Design Filing Fee	
107	510	207	255	Plant Filing Fee	
108	740	208	370	Reissue Filing Fee	
114	160	214	80	Provisional Filing Fee	
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)					740

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	20	-20** =	0	X	Extra Claims	Fee From Below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	3	-3** =	0	X			

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20	
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
109	84	209	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent	
110	18	210	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)					

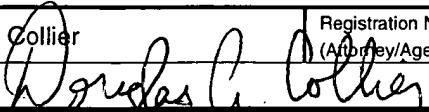
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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other Fee (specify)					

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